Senator Culberson for Chairman,-

well-organized effort was made last

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By J. R. MASON, President.

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We can completely sympathize with Mr. Hanna in the embarrassment he feels because of the familiar, not to say jocose, manner in which he is treated by most exthe dignity of his position ought to be rec- in the Old Testament ognized and respected. He is right, and recognizable anywhere in the Union.

Riet River, and this again suggests the possibility of a turning movement on that side, for the relief of Kimberley, which, however, to promise success should be st. Maryland for the rent of Nameleon of Maryland for the rent of Namel

The situation on the Tugela is without terloo. hange. Buller apparently is geiting ready tand, it looks as if an attack on any part nent is indeed obtuse.

for the individual who loses his life ary. Nations must advance or recede. through carelessness. At the present time sentiment often goes awry sufficiently to extend condolences to the bereaved rela- superior forces, a retrogressive movement rives of the man who did not know that it that means annihilation if it signifies anywas loaded, and it must be admitted that they are more entitled to commiseration than the mourners of the man who did know it was loaded but cheerfully took the

A despatch from Vienna, which is supposed to be a centre where an unusually high order of intelligence prevails, tells of trial is that of nations instead of indithe horrible fate of an animal keeper at the Zoological Gardens in that city who entered a cage of lions purely in a spirit of bravado. Six of the huge beasts pounced upon him, and, despite the efforts of the attendants, tore their victim to pieces.

If this man did not leave a wife and six or eight small children, or a father or mother dependent upon him, there is no reason for extending sympathy to anyone The superficial reader of the tragedy in which he occupied the centre of the stage may feel sorry, but those who are accustomed to applying a bit of logic to such things will not mourn for an instant. The aforesaid superficial observer may regard the Vienna victim as a martyr to the noble science of zoology, but the sensible in dividual will put him down as a sacrific

n a passing boat or miss being drowned. here were a few chances that the simple. earless he is in the presence of a patent ples is in the balance.

If there had been any sound reason for onored, and unsung.

Schley and Sampson Again. the benefit of two officers to be named by te line captain who was hidden behind the horizon during the sea battle of Santiago was present at it, which he was not, and mmanded in it, which he could not; beause his assignment as "commander-inround this by holding that Sampson's friends among the people with a pull must dered before any question of law their precarious existence. pestered President thinks to shift the whole disturbance from his shoulders by darkness, the calcium glare of civilizaponents of the press, even in his own per- but junior to the man who was not there, fore it. Through centuries millions have senally owned and conducted State of Ohio. but who tried to earn the credit for the hopelessly groped in the gloom of oppres-He declares with much pathos that he is a victory by taking liberties with history, slon, but a new day has dawned. Amer-Senator of the United States, a fact of geography, and the eternal verities in a lea's mission is as obvious as the effulgence which there is evidence outside of the way calculated to establish a new record of the sun, and that she will fulfill it none stubs of anybody's check book, and that in that direction superior to any contained but the simpleton can doubt. There is one thing in the whole connec-

we think that, generally speaking, it is tion that we are utterly at a loss to undercentures in a way to render him instantly go a man in no sense entitled to a single vessel, bound for a neutral port. The acleaf of them, and who, moreover, is regardhe is not the first statesman who has been with active animosity by the populact, as doubt that England will make the amende consent.

Stoped on the back by an affectionate and the Administration has had ample opporhe is not the first statesman who has been showed on the back by an affectionate and showed on the back by an affectionate and admiring public. Mr. Clay was referred to as the "Old Harry" by his opponents. The cultured and decorous Mr. Buchanan was widely known as "Old Buck;" and there was oase a pseudo-President, who, in delicate compliment to an amiable chronic peculiarity of his, was pleasantly called "Trutherford." Mr. Hanua must not forget that those twin goddesses of native get that those twin goddesses of native get that those twin goddesses of native get that those twin goddesses of native general replied. To the Administration has had ample opportunity to realize on more than one cecasion. But, for some amazing though unrelease the Administration has had ample opportunity to realize on more than one cecasion. But, for some amazing though unrelease the Hallonis delegation in places but, the Proposed districts the Hallonis delegation in the Ryan and Chairman James K. Jones and through the proposed districts and the motors effected a great swing the mast before the full incise department of the full incise degration in places but the Hallonis delegation in places but the Hallonis deleg

Maryland for the rout of Napoleon at Wa- Democratic party.

Liberty.

trengthening his defences, especially on In this closing year of a century whose the Dewdrop side of his line. The river is progress has been the most remarkable in again fordable, and the advance should not human history that which hopes to survive now be delayed more than a day or two. must stand upon its merits. America has The conditions in Ladysmith grow hourly entered this new period of time with an nore serious, and this fact is considered as | irresistible momentum. And he who canjustifying Buller in taking long chances not read that the nation's destiny is not o break the Boer investment. As matters | pent up in the isolation of a single conti-

of Jouber's sixteen miles of defence would be "frontal" to all intents, as every one of the fords is covered by elaborate earthworks and trenches, and strong batteries.

There is no better aid to the comprehension of the wast possibilities confronting us than a map of the world spread cut for careful inspection. That chart to an intel I-gent mind presents a situation with two allowed and the correct use of who' and whom!

"By the way, of what conage ""By the way, of what conage "I may be a graduate of any," replied the young man, "but I know better than to write pants' for 'thousers', 'plead' for 'pleaded' and he was given a chance for a chance was given a chance for 'a chance was given a chance for 'thousers', 'plead' for 'pleaded' and 'he was given a chance for 'thousers', 'plead' for 'pleaded' and 'he was given a chance for 'thousers', 'plead' for 'pleaded' and 'he was given a chance for 'thousers', 'plead' for 'pleaded' and 'he was given a chance for 'thousers', 'plead' for 'pleaded' and 'he was given a chance for 'thousers', 'plead' for 'pleaded' and 'he was given a chance for 'thousers', 'plead' for 'pleaded' and 'he was given a chance for 'thousers', 'plead' for 'pleaded' and 'he was given a cha or stagnation, progress or contraction. In dropped, even by a sympathetic public, this age it is impossible to remain station-They must rule or submit. They must struggle for domination or retreat before thing.

Never was there an epoch in world history so momentous as that of today. The crucial test is the survival of the fittest. Utility sits in the court where judgmen to be rendered according to the well-defined and universal laws of evolution. The viduals. The verdict will be as inescapable

From the map alone those who are other than superficial may read the mission of America. The divinity that shapes the ends of nations as of men has given the U. ited States a position which, in relation to the rest of the world, makes leadership in table, provided the people, whose dominton it is, declares for strength and repudiates vacillating weakness. Nature has showered her bountles upon America with a lavish hand. Not only in the riches of the earth and the variety of climate, but in an unmatched system of natural waterways is this evidenced. Enterprise has become a habit, and in the past a ready appreciati n of advantages has enabled us to keep well forward in the front ranks of progress

By a war for humanity, the irresistible

inspired effort, America has become the cynosure of the world's eyes. The hour a who rushed into the lions' cage at the and its problems have brought another and ienna Zoo would not be attacked by the not the least of the tests of American in nimals, but he did not draw one of them; stitutions. On the issue rests more than nd the result was that he will never even the most vivid imagination can pic gain have an opportunity to show how ture. The fate of peoples and of princi

Either through blindness or a peculiarly vicious form of prejudice, those who have is entering the lions' den, if his duties resisted the expansion of American influad called him there, or he had sought to ence have ignored the crucial phase of this escue another from imminent peril and matter. Basing their opposition on alleged hereby lost his life, he would be deserv- basic principles of American stability, they g of a monument. But the absolute fol- have indirectly sought to undermine the of his adventure, even though it was at- faith of millions in the beneficence and pernded by his immediate and violent de- petuity of independent institutions. Their ise, must result in his being unwept, un- hostility to the extension of liberty into every benighted corner of the earth has unfortunately been construed by the observing world as a lack of faith in the viif what we hear be true, Mr. McKinley tality of democracy. The determined effort s about to reopen the scandal of the navy to isolate and monopolize the blessings of by an attempt to secure from Congress a New-World equality, to establish certain evival of the grade of vice admiral for arbitrary boundaries beyond which it shall not be allowed to pass, might well be utilnim. Of course the object of the move- ized by conscienceless enemies to belittle ment is evident. Mr. McKinley has had invincible principles; the natural inference ampson dinned into his ears by Long and of those who, though they do not underrowninshield until he half believes that stand us thoroughly, have learned to respect us, is that American liberties might not possess sufficient endurance to become acclimated and survive. Nothing could please the exponents of monarchical and chief" was in direct and flagrant violation oligarchical power more than the growth of the law, and, hence, null and void. But of such a misunderstanding. It is only Long and Crowninshield perhaps get upon the strength of such false notions of independence that the remvants of medieval institutions can hope to lengthen

or justice should have weight; and so the But this is an age of light. Despite the tasking the man who commanded at San- tion will search all the areas of the earth, tiago and won the fight, a vice admiral, scattering ignorance and superstition be-

prompt and vigorous action of Secretary respected. Of course, there are humorous stand, and that is how President McKinley Hay in demanding indemnity from the journalists who call him "Dollar Mark" can expect the American people to justify British Government for the seizure on the and cartoonists who picture his fine rugged him in crowning with the laurels of Santia- high seas of American goods in a neutral tion may have been dictated by a state He cannot help his looks any more than ed from the Atlantic to the Pacific almost necessity, but it could not be defended the papers can. He should remember that universally as a discredit to the navy, and under international law, and there is no

west, and routed its occupants after a sharp encounter. The enterprise seems to have developed the fact that the Boers are erected into a national figure on account of the River, and this again suggests the left River, and this again suggests the routed of the defeat of Cervera, then the Administration should not besitate to great account of the defeat of Cervera, then the Administration should not besitate to great account of the defeat of Cervera, then the Administration should not besitate to great account of the defeat of Cervera, then the Administration should not besitate to great account of the defeat of Cervera, then the Administration should not besitate to great account of the defeat of Cervera and this again suggests the control of the district, and that he can control of the district, and the condense of the district, and that he can control of the district, and the condense of the district and the condense of the condense of the condense of the district and the condense of the cond

Not Absolutely Ignorant.

"By the way, of what college or university are

It Took Courage.

Frau Hingstermeier, the wife of Herr Hingstermeier, the lion tamer, was what may be termed put it mid, -a virage, and held Hingstermeier absolute subjection.

The Ess. The lion tamer returned to the family caravar

norm off. He therefore concluded not to sleep in the family quarters.

The next morning his wife called him to ac-ount, and he explained that he had been having illtite jolification and did not wish to disturb ser sumbers on his return.

"Where did you sleep?" she demanded.

"In the cage with the lions," he replied meekly.

"Coward?" hissed Mrs. Hingstermeier, with a fook as one robbed of her, just dues.

Reward of Demerit.

(From the St. Paul Pioneer Press.) (From the St. Paul Pioneer Press.)

of course it is easy to conceive of circumstances
under which a brave and loyal soldier may have
descreted; as, for instance, the pressure of some
imperative family necessity happening at a time
who his regiment was far from the scene of
active operations and when there was but a remote possibility of the Government needing him.
Such a case as that might properly be made the
subject of Congressional leniency through a special
neurico hill. Due terms as in the case of faithful veterans—is proposition as astonishing as it is unthinkable.

Going to Bed in India.

There is about one chance in ten thousand that the person who leaps from a precipice will become entangled in some wild vines or caught on a twig and thus have his life saved. There are a few more chances in ten thousand that the individual who leaps from the Brooklyn bridge all who leaps from the Brooklyn bridge all who leaps from the Brooklyn bridge and who leaps from the Brooklyn bridge approper of the support of properly and who leaps from the Brooklyn bridge approper of the support of the age has pressed the nation of the support of the New York Sun.)

(From the New York Sun.)

Mountain Toothache.

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(From the New York Sun.)

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(From the New York Sun.)

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POLITICAL NOTES AND GOSSIP.

night to utilize the rumblings of discontent against the continuance of Senator J. K. Jones as chairman of the Democratic National Committee in favor of Senator Culberson of Texas. A boom of considerable noise was started for the young Texan by his close friends in the Texas delega tion, with Representative Albert S. Burleson and Charles A. Edwards, a Texas newspaper correspondent, and an employe of the Senate, as the managers of the enterprise.
Mr. Edwards, who may properly be called the press agent of the boom, sent the news broadcast over the country last night and today it is said that Senator Culberson is today it is said that Senator Culberson is he is a candidate for the chairmanship, thus denoting the keen and widespread insenator has not expressed himself on the subject, though his friends vouch for his willingness to assume the arduous duties involved in the management of a national campaign if the members of the party of campaign if the members of the party orgunization should invite him to do so. From the circumstance that a Senate em-ploye is one of the chief managers of the boom it is inferred that the subject has been favorably discussed by Democratic Senators. Senator Culberson is one of the youngest members of the Senate, both in point of age and service. He is only for-ty-four years old, and is just entering upon a Senatorial career after having been twice elected attorney general and twice Gevernor of Texas. His political record is one of unbroken successes, and the Texans

set that those twin goldesses of native literature, Humor and Sattre-like death-love a shiring Mark!

From the work Near Modder River.

The news from South Africa today is of such a contract of the such that the event of the such that the contract of the such that the length of the

cine in the Sixth district.

Hartman's Sacrifice .- The presence in Washington of former Representative Hartman of Montana is said to have something to do with the disintegration of the National Silver party alleged to be in progress, and the invincible tendency of the organization to resolve itself into its originally independent groups. It is claimed that the Democrats acted in bad faith by permitting Mr. Hartman to be defeated for Congress after he had done so much for Bryan and the Chicago platform in 1896. and that this is an evidence of Democratic insincerity all along the line. The statement is made that unless the Democracy allows proportional representation in the officers to the various elements that enomers to the various elements that the tered the campaign of 1896 it is useless longer to hope for effective coalition any-where. It is pointed out that Mr. Hart-man fought his old Republican associates so bitterly four years ago in Congress and on the stump as to have completely alienated all support from that quarter, and that the Democratic fold was his only possible refuge from political annihilation. Biame for his inhospitable treatment is laid directly at the door of the Democratic National Committee, and this is being em-ployed as one of the strongest arguments against longer continuates of the co-op-eration between the National Silver party and the Democracy. Mr. Hartman is main-taining a dignified silence on the question, and it is said to be his intention to have a long conference with Colonel Bryan on the matter when the Nebraskan comes to Washington this month. The hope is en-tertained by Democrats that Cotonel Bryan can do some good work for fusion through Mr. Hartman.

Meaning of Some Military Terms. (From the London Gentlewoman.)

(From the London Gentlewoman.)

A machine gun section operating with mounted infantry consists of one officer, sixteen non-commissioned officers and men, eighteen horses and two Maxim guns.

A brigate avision of artillery consists of three batteries of field artillery, or two batteries R. H.

A. Its staff numbers in the lower case four officers, thirteen non-commissioned officers and men, with sixteen horses; in the latter, four officers and fixeen non-commissioned officers and men, with twenty horses.

A mountain battery consists of five officers and 179 non-commissioned officers and men, with eighten horses and 268 nmles. Its arm is the 7-pounder screw gun, which is carried in sections on mules. mules.

Tactical Unit R. A: is the battery of five officers and 166 non-commissioned officers and men, with 131 horses and six 15-pounder guns. The R. H. A. have eight more men and sixty more horses, all the gunners being mounted.

SEEN AND HEARD AT THE CAPITOL

Former Representative Payson of Illiis was at the Capitol this morning on ongressional business. He appears to Congressional business. He appears to enjoy the independent life of a lawyer even more than the vexing occupation of representing a district in Congress. Mr. Payson has a host of friends among Senators and Representatives.

Congress.

being deluged with telegrams enquiring if edly twit Mr. Babcock about his popularity.

Representative Sulzer, who, according to terest in the matter. As far as known the knowing ones, somewhat resembles Heary Senator has not expressed himself on the Clay, was in a most cheerful humor when

torn down to make way for the new and magnificent structure about to be erected on the former site. I was here during Mr. Cleveland's first Administration, and had occasion to call upon the Attorney General. While sitting in the latter's office an incident occurred I will never forget. One of Wile string in the latter's office an incidence of twast strained and window of the seesan incidence that as an organizer he has not a sperior in the country. The fact that Colonel Bryan has been the guest of formes of Governor Hogg in Texas and that the big Texan is going to accompany the Nobras kan on his approaching eastern tour single delivers. The fact that the big the special point of the National Colonel Bryan and the two building at night, received one evening a possibly indicating that control in the Texan of the National Colonel Bryan and the Still these and the strain of the National Colonel Bryan and the Still the strain that the former Governor and the young Senator are not on terms of political amity, and that if a Texan is to be enfranced in the next campaign Hogg and not Culberson will be the choice of Texas declared that the present of the Assistant Stode State St dent occurred I will never forget.

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took occasion to congratulate the latter on his youthful appearance, saying that he appeared to be enjoying the best of health. Senator Money laughingly replied that he thought it must be due to the fact that he is a Democrat, and added, "I have not felt better in years, why, even my vision is as strong and clear as it ever has been."

Without the ghost of a smile Senator Chandler replied: "Well. Senator, I am only sorry that your mental vision is not as clear on some subjects as is your eyesight."

English Conventional Types.

(From the Lordon (Sche)

English Conventional Types.

(From the London Globe.)

What could be more abourd than the conventional types of the nations those types which we see and accept almost every day? England is peculiarly unfortunate. To express our national either a burly farmer or a lion. The British indicent consideration of the travel was performed. CURRENT HUMOR. either a burly farmer or a lion. The British lion gets some little support from heraldry, and the national vanity is flattered by the analogy of our powers to those of the king of beasts. But otherwise, how little appropriateness there is in representing us by an animal which most Englishmen bave only seen in the degrading captivity of a menagerie, which has never, within historical times, inhabited their islands, and about which they know almost nothing. Considering, also, the chronically depressed state of British agriculture, it seems an ironical thing that the British nation should be typined by a farmer. He were a manufacturer, or a merchant, or a seaman, there would be some appropriateness, but the stout eighteenth century John Bull with whon we are so familiar from allusion and picture is a being quite unknown to us in the flesh. He is just a good example of the time-honored, in accurate, conventional type, All vigor and suggestivenes have long departed from the figure.

But we are too indeient to replace him.

Trade With Spain.

(From the Philadelphia Ledger.)

There is no reason at all why our Government should not now make a treaty of commerce with that of Spain, and thereby resume peaceful relations. In fact, the old commercial relations have been gradually reinstating themselves for the past year, and they may as well be made official. It is eminently proper, also, that Spanish trade should receive special privileges in the Philippines for a period sufficient to enable the merchants now doing business there to prepare for and arrange their business in accordance with the new order of things, as well as to enable the people to become accustomed to American ways and learn the value of American goods; besides which, it is only courtesy, in dispossessing a tenant who has been in occupancy for so many years to allow reasonable time for removal. time for removal.

Woman's Rights in Turkey.

The Turkish woman is marriageable at the age of nine years, and by Turkish law at that age, if married, she is competent to manage her property and dispose of one-third of her fortune. The law allows her to abandon her husband's house for just cause, and will protect her in so doing. She cannot be compelled to labor for the support of her husband.

IN THE HOTEL CORRIDORS.

"I am one member of Congress who is against the free seed farce," said Representative Metcalf of California, at the Arlington today, and I see no reason why the Government should compete with seed growers any more than it should go into the hardware business and give away free nails. I am deeply interested in the ex-Former Representative Hemphill was also on the floor of the House today re-newing old friendships, and incidentally ooking after some business he has befo e culture and in alding the farmer. I have as secretary the South and it is splendid. With the development of these things we will soon preduce all we need, right in this country." tasted tea grown at one of the stations in

"Young Cornelius Vanderbilt is not too good to soil his hands, and is one of the best machinists I know of," said C. R. Waters, of Philadelphia, at the Storeham today. "He recently invented a patent fire-box which is desired to be adopted by Representative Sulzer, who, according to knowing ones, somewhat resembles Heary Clay, was in a most cheerful humor when the House was called to order. He says he is losing no sleep over the persistent rumors of his pribable nomination for the Vice Presidency.

A former Representative who has not been in Washington for some years, was visiting the Capitol today and spoke of the many changes being wrought about the city. Said he: "I see the old Department of Justice has teen torn down to make way for the new and

Barney of Wisconsin, Norton of Ohio, and Fitzpatrick of Kentucky have returned to the city, and are quartered at the Wellington for the session.

Thomas de Angelis, son of Jefferson de Angelis, is at the Regent, from New York

dates. Eliot Danforth is in the race, as is George Fred Williams, of Massachusetts, and a number of 'dark horses,' but Belmont has the whip hand and I believe he will be nominated.

Senator Chandler of New Hampshire has long been noted in the Senate for a keen wit, which is often exercised at the expense of his colleagues. Yesterday morning after leaving his committee room at the Capitol Mr. Chandler entered one of the elevators in company with Senators Penrose of Pennsylvania and Money of Mississippi, and in the course of the conversation took occasion to congratulate the latter on his youthful appearance saying that he

(From the Chicago Post.)

"Stolen hisses are sweetest," he said.
"How I dislike a man who doesn't practice
what he preaches," she returned.
Occasionally a man has to be jarred before he
realizes what is going on. The Horrors of Surgery.

(From the Chicago Tribune.)

"That poor fellow with the dislocated knee must be suffering terribly? I never heard a man "He isn't making that noise. It's the consult ing surgeons wrangling in the next room."

A Fair Legacy. (From the Baltimore News.) "Did your grandmother remember you in her

Inconvenient.

(From Life.)

Jones—I had a good chance to say I-told-youse to Thompson today.

Brown—How so?

"Why, I strongly advised him against marrying
Miss Ernot, but he wouldn't listen to me, and
the himsel!"

NOTES OF THE DAY.

The University of Leipsic has decided to expend 200,000 on a new agricultural institute.

The latest fad in German postcards is to have an embossed head of Kruger in one corner. No matter how poor a man is he can now buy the New Testament in English for a nickel.

Australia has a peace strength of \$250,000 and a war strength of 3,000,000. Her population is 41,000,000.

The National Woman's Temperance Uni-been organized in Belgium, with Madame K

The orange crop of Southern California is es-timated this season at 16,000 carloads. Northern California citrus districts will ship 700 cars. The Boers and other residents of South Africa ward off horse sickness by rubbing a little tar or eucalyptus oil in the nostriks of the horse when he is out on the veldt.

Germany, with a population of 52,279,609, has a peace strength of 545,009 and a war strength of 3,113,009. Besides this, there is the Landstrum, or defensive army, of 3,200,000.

though the roads through the Black Forest were st-ep and in places bad, the experiment was most successful. There were exceedingly few ac-cidents, and the motors effected a great saving in both men and horses.

mileage at 8 cents a mile for travel in the United States, and not netual expenses, without deduction on account of travel over Government-aided raticoads.

Comptroller Tracewell decided that this mileage must be paid from the appropriation for the fiscal year in which the major portion of the travel was performed.

CURRENT HUMOR.

Among the Also Rans.

(From Ti-This.)

Clara—Bid the newspapers before your paper at the banquet:

Freddie—Yes.

Clara—Well manupage side begins to the paper which make it susceptible to the electric paper which make it susceptible to the electric Clara—Well, mamma sold she could not see his name in the list.

Freddie—No; but the list ends up with "and others." That means pepk. They always mention him that way.

A Chicago inventor, says the "Scientific American," has recently patented an electrically illumianted clock. It seems practical, and is not very expensive to make. It is specially adapted for clock towers, and the idea is to illuminate the figures on the dial 'n turn, this end being obtained by the mechanism of the timepiece. Upon the hour hand is arranged a brush which travels in contact with a ring and segmental contact pieces, for the purpose of completing the circuit between the ring and each of the contact piece will be in circuit with the brush during one hour, or until the brush passes to the next contact piece, the actual lighting being effected by means of twelve electric lights, one behind each character. As soon as the bour hand passes the point midway between the two characters the brush snaps down upon the next contact piece, and throws the next lamp into circuit. The minute hand carries an electric light on the end of it, and the contact continues, so that the high single lamp, which is lighted continuously, whereas the hour hand uses twelve lamps in succession each twelve hours. nated clock. It seems practical, and is not

The Cook Islands in the South Seas constitute a federation under the British flag, and have a Parliament of their own, which for orderly conduct and attention to public business affords an example which the legislatures of other and professedly civilized countries might advantageously enulate. The whole of the members are notives and regard it as a duty to uphold the dignity of their office. Recently they had under discussion the rectification of a mistake made by the early missionaries, who, forgetful of the longitude in which the islands are located, placed Sunday on the wrong day of the week. The Roman Catholic missionaries who arrived later, avoided this biun-The Cook Islands in the South Seas co.